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"The Mormon Battalion will be held in honorable remembrance to the latest generation . . . I will prophesy that the children of those who have been in the Army will grow up and bless their fathers . . . and men and nations will rise up and bless the men who went in that Battalion . . ."

- President Brigham Young



W. Phil Robbins

As we approach the Holiday season we are inclined to pause and recount our blessings and assess the possibilities of the future. For the approach of the winter brings to all, young and old, an inborn feeling of termination, of finality, of uncertainty as to the future.

But as we look back each year to recall the happenings that have transpired, we are reminded that each winter that has buried the joys and beauties of the verdant summer and the blazing fall under its blanket of white has invariably been followed by the rebirth of all that

has slept.

I am extremely grateful at this time as I observe the awakening of the S.U.P. membership to the challenge offered in the last issue of this publication. The erosion which has been taking place under the white blanket of member apathy and inactivity is being replaced by a rebirth of interest, desire and action. The spring of a new year in the annals of this great Society is most certainly dawning, and the reply to that challenge is evidenced in daily broadening circles of membership proselyting throughout the organization.

### The President's Message

#### **EXPANSION**

In excess of 170 new members have been added to the roles since August 1st of this year, and with new chapters and re-activation of former chapters progressing in Utah and Idaho, in California and Illinois, in Arizona and Washington D.C., as well as in other locations, there is much evidence that our members are responding to the challenge by following the admonition of our great and beloved Prophet and Church Leader to "DO IT".

I welcome this opportunity to express my thanks and gratitude for the privilege which is mine to serve my brothers and sisters in the S.U.P., and for the support of the officers and members, and for the personal effort put forth by all to further the programs since our last

encampment.

**ESCALANTE FOR 1979** 

Our President-Elect, our Executive Secretary and I, have just returned from Southern Utah, where we were warmly received in Escalante, in Cedar City, in Richfield and elsewhere. Basic arrangements were made in Escalante for our 1979 Encampment, and work was started on the re-activation of the Hole-in-the-Rock chapter, the accomplishment of which we expect to be able to announce within the next month. We will have more to announce on the encampment as arrangements are expanded and firmed, but we suggest that you start to make your plans to be in Escalante September 20th, 21st and 22nd to help celebrate the 100th anniversary of the Hole-in-the-Rock expedition.

May the true love of the Saviour and the real joys of Christmas be realized in each and every S.U.P. home, and as I send my love and encouragement I pray that each may experience happiness and prosperity in the

coming year.

#### WITH THE MORMON BATTALION

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"Jan. 15. This morning we started through a rough mountain country and continued on until two the next day, when we came to water and some grass. The men were scattered for fifteen or twenty miles along the road. Some sick and some out for want of water, and others with their feet so sore they could not walk. There were mules scattered from the Colorado to this place that had died or given out, for we have had no grass from San Peathro (San Pedro) to this place, a distance of four hundred miles, and no water for the last hundred miles except the little that we got by digging for it and that poison." Thus reads the journal of John Borrowman, a private in Company B of the Mormon Battalion.

What is believed to be the longest infantry march in history began on July 21, 1846 at Council Bluffs, Iowa. Five hundred volunteers, recruited from emigrating Mormon wagon trains, left their families to face two thousand miles of formidable country, and possibly the Mexican army, in defense of America. They started the hazardous trek to the tune of "The Girl I Left Behind Me." Los Angeles was reached after months of tortuous walking through a trackless waste, peopled only by wild animals and occasional bands of roving Indians.

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The opportunity to serve a good cause is available to each S.U.P. member, whether you are affiliated with a chapter, or a member at large, according to W. Phil Robbins, national president. You are encouraged to support one or more of the following tax deductible items:

1. The 1978 dues were not sufficient to cover the rising costs of operating

headquarters and printing the magazine.

2. A separate contribution towards the Nauvoo flagpole, or for future

landmark plaques.

3. A contribution toward the purchase of a building site for the new SUP headquarters building. This is an opportunity to have your family name listed on a memorial plaque in the new home.

4. Make a suggestion for a candidate to serve as historian for the National

ociety

5. Anyone who has published a hard back volume of personal or family history is invited to donate a copy to be included in the library of the new headquarters home.

6. Assist your National President and Vice Presidents in reaching the 1979 goal of doubling the present membership. Invite some close friends to join

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## Annual Seminar for Newly Elected Chapter Officers

Each SUP chapter is urged to complete its election of 1979 officers during the month of November, or at least the 1st or 2nd week of December.

The 1979 Seminar will be held on Saturday, January 13 at the Garden Heights Ward 2220 Fisher Lane (2950 South) near the former Pioneer Village. The National Board is extending an invitation to all chapter officers and their partners to attend this year's Seminar. However, pre-registration is required.

It has been suggested that when a chapter has sufficient funds to pay the cost of the dinner for a couple, or the president and president-elect, that it do so. Perhaps the officers would pay for their partners.

#### **RUSH THIS LIST**

Either the chapter president or secretary should forward the names and addresses for the new officers. This information is urgently needed for the Seminar invitations and for the 1979 Chapter Directory by December 15. Please complete the adjoining form and return it to head-quarters SUP.

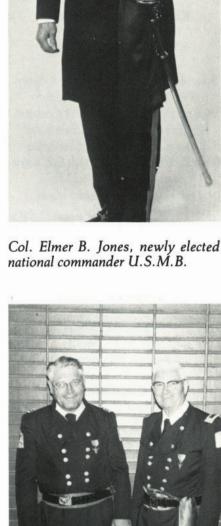
### New Battalion Officers



Vilate Jones and Lt. Col. Mary Goodman, officers in the USMB auxiliary.



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Lt. Col. D. Wesley Reese, Logan national executive officer, and Lt. Col. J. C. Richards, Sandy, Utah Division C. O.

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### Annual Mormon Battalion Day General Staff Elected



Members of the USMB and partners met in annual convention on October 14 at the Clayton Jr. High School in Salt Lake City and elected their general staff for a two year period. Visitors assembled from Smithfield on the north to Kanab on the south of Utah. Major and Mrs. Keith Sears represented those from the San Diego area.

Col. Elmer B. Jones, former executive officer was elected as national commander. D. Wesley Reese is the new executive officer and Byron Snow the adjutant. Other officers included Rulon Morgan, judge advocate; Quinten Thomas, training; Eugene Duffin, enlistment; Gerald Sorenson, finance; Oliver R. Smith, public relations; Elmer Carr, historian; Walter Ewell, chaplain; John C. Richards, Utah division C.O.; Marvin E. Smith, liaison.

Some constitutional amendments were approved at the afternoon business meeting, and the plaque for the outstanding company went to Co. D of Logan, with Merlin Kendrick its captain.

#### SERVICE AWARDS

During the evening banquet, distinguished service awards were presented to six MB veterans. Col. Fred M. Reese, retiring as national commander, was the first recipient. He has more seniority in the Battalion than any other living person, and was given a standing ovation during the afternoon meeting. Other active officers thus recognized include: Earl Hansen, Sheldon Brewster, Harold Jenson, Mary Goodman and Marvin Smith.

Life members of the MB received pins. Certificates were given to newly appointed officers. Guest speaker for the banquet was Mike Leavitt who easily held the attention of the guests.

#### LADIES AUXILIARY

Under the direction of Lt. Col. Mary Goodman, leader of the ladies auxiliary, a special session was held just for the women. Pretty Becky Reeve, a missionary, was the featured speaker for this gathering and was greatly appreciated.

Mary Goodman also announced her staff of officers who will assist her in the national ladies organization.



Major and Mrs. Keith Sears, San Diego. Keith serves as area coordinator for Southern California.



Col. and Mrs. Fred M. Reese, Kanab. Fred retired as national commander, but will continue to coordinate MB and Boy Scouts of America project to mark the Battalion trail.

### YOU CAN SAVE **MONEY - PAY** 1979 DUES NOW

By official action of the National Board SUP the 1979 membership dues have been raised to \$10.00 per year, or \$125.00 for lifetime dues.

However, everyone may make a saving by sending in 1979 dues prior to December 31, 1978. If your check is received before Dec. 31 the dues are only \$7.00, a 30% discount. Life memberships may be obtained for \$100.00, a nice 20% saving.

The Pioneer Magazine is free to those who have membership in the SUP. The magazine subscription for a year has raised to \$5.00. Those desiring the 1979 magazine may get a subscription for only \$4.00 by sending their checks before Dec. 31, 1978 -- a saving of 20%.

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### San Diego Battalion Moves Forward

Major Elmer J. Carr reports:

Col. Elmer B. Jones:

Saturday, Nov. 4, 1978 was an eventful day here in San Diego. It was a Mormon Battalion meeting at the Aztec Chapel at 12:00 noon. We had a pot luck dinner for all of those present. There were 172 people. This, of course, had been planned for some time.

Mission President Hartman Rector, Stake Presidents Tenney and Packard, Major Keith Sears, George R. Bascom and myself were there. The Mission Presidency is really pushing this. After dinner we held a program and a rousing talk was given by President Rector. Believe me it was thrilling for me to swear in 56 members of the Battalion.

In addition to swearing in that many, I commissioned George R. Bascom as a Captain. He considers this a three year mission.

We hope, now, that the Mormon Battalion will really move forward in this area.

> Major Elmer J. Carr 2530 Juan Street, 9 San Diego, Calif. 92110

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National Society SUP

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I have thoroughly enjoyed each issue. Thank you very much for this enjoyment.

> Sincerely, Jean H. Hendrickson Parowan

### Wellsville Founder's Day

SUP members with the Mormon Battalion joined in the celebration of Founders' Day in Wellsville September 3. President Phil Robbins and others drove up from Salt Lake. Dr. John L. Owen was a committee member and also director of the Wellsville City Choir. Another member, Spencer famous J. Cornwall, former Tabernacle Choir director for 23 years, was guest conductor. A Mormon Battalion unit assisted by presenting the Colors and leading in the pledge of allegiance.

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### 1979 Encampment Already Shaping Up

In anticipation of next year's encampment, three national officers made a survey tour of the area near Escalante to determine not only the feasibility but also to revive the *Hole-in-the-Rock* chapter of SUP.

President Phil Robbins, with Ken Wiseman, pres.-elect and John Nielsen, exec-secretary returned with the good news that things were very encouraging for a great gathering.

Cooperation and goodwill was the result as the SUP representatives met with the Stake Presidency, City Mayor and with the motel owners. As a result, two possible school and park areas have been lined up to accommodate recreational vehicles. There are four motels in Escalante with good accommodations. The School Board have short-base buses that will be available to transport registered members to the historic Hole-in-the-Rock point, as well as to other scenic spots in the Escalante Wonderlands.

In 1959 Escalante hosted the SUP Encampment. So next year will be the 20th anniversary of that gathering, and the 100th anniversary of the famous *Hole-in-the-Rock* expedition.

Dates for the 1979 Encampment are set for September 20, 21, and 22. This time is favorable because of cool pleasant weather, autumn colors, and less tourist traffic.

With a prospective list of fifty eligible members, the Escalante Stake Presidency is beginning its drive to reactivate the local chapter.

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#### **DESERET MORTUARY**

364-6528 at 36 East 700 South and 566-1249 at 10055 South State Lake Hills - Sandy R. ADDISON and MILDRED M. RICHEY SUP Memorial Day talk at the Mormon Battalion Monument at the Utah State Capitol, by Lawrence L. Epperson, son of Lawrence T. Epperson, founder and organizer of S.U.P.

### A DAY FOR REMEMBERING

It is a joy to see so many members of the Mormon Battalion and Sons and Daughters of the Utah Pioneers on this beautiful Memorial Day morning. As we look at so fitting a monument we should remember all of those who have suffered and struggled in the defense of our liberty.

First of all, we should remember our Lord and Savior, who suffered for all mankind at Gethsemane and died at Calvary that we might achieve immortality and eternal lives. Second, we should remember Joseph F. Smith who restored the gospel to the earth in these latter days and sealed his testimony, along with his brother, Hyrum, for the gospel's sake. Next we should remember the many great souls among our noble ancestors, our roots, who also suffered untold misery, privations and death to enable us to come forth in these great and last days before the millenium. To mention a few, Joseph F. Smith (son of Hyrum), and Emmeline B. Wells, are fitting examples of those who have achieved great prominence after great trials of their faith, in the community, the nation, the world, and in the Church.

#### FOR LIBERTY AND LOYALTY

And now, why do we honor the Mormon Battalion? On Monday, July 13, 1846, after receiving a request from Col. Thomas L. Kane, of the U.S. Army, for volunteers, President Brigham Young advised the Saints - "If you want the privilege of going where we can worship God according to the dictates of our conscience, we must raise the Battalion. The War Department (has called upon us) to furnish five hundred volunteers for the Army of the West, to march to California. I say it is right! We can do what other people cannot.

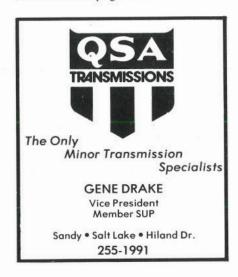
"The president told Col. Kane the time would come when the Saints would support the government of the U.S. or it would crumble to atoms."

In speaking of the departure of

the Mormon Battalion, Wilford Woodruff said: ''It was a great day in the Camp of Israel. Four companies of volunteers were organized and ready within three days (July 16, 1846), for marching.'' (Probably the fastest enlistment in history!) SAD FAREWELL

After addresses by several members of the Quorum of the 12, they began their historic march, leaving their families, teams, wagons, and cattle by the wayside, not expecting to meet them again for one or two years. They left them to their brethren and to the tender mercies of God, while they proceeded to do his will. "As I viewed them, I felt I was looking upon the first Battalion of the army of Israel, engaged in the service of the United States."

In a letter to the officers and soldiers of the Mormon Battalion on August 20, 1846, President Brigham Young said: "We urge the importance . . . of the officers being as (continued on page 16)



## SUP Joins Deseret News in Pioneer Trail Project

Deseret News, Salt Lake City

The famed Mormon Pioneer Trail stretching from Nauvoo, Ill., to Salt Lake City will come alive with the sound of feet again next spring.

But this time the feet will be running and not walking.

The route marks the 1,300-mile trek by mid-19th century pioneers

from Nauvoo on the banks of the Mississippi River to the Salt Lake

Valley.

To recall the hundreds of early pioneers who walked or rode along the trail between 1846 and 1896, long-distance runners will run the route in 10-mile segments next May.

The Deseret News, which sponsors a 26-mile plus marathon each July as part of the state's Day of '47 celebration, joins with the Sons of the Utah Pioneers (SUP) in sponsoring the 24-hour-a-day run. The relay run will begin in Illinois, continue across Iowa, Nebraska and Wyoming, and then into Utah.

Runners, all of whom will be descendants of Mormon pioneers, will then continue along the same route now used by the Deseret News Marathon from Big Mountain to downtown Salt Lake City. The run is expected to take approximately 10 days, ending in the city on June 1, the birthday anniversary of the man who lead the pioneers, Brigham Young.

Each participant will run 10 miles non-stop, day and night. Relay officials emphasized that participants must cover their own transportation and other costs.

When the first runner starts in Nauvoo, he or she will carry a hollow baton that will be filled with messages from state officials along the route. The baton will be passed from runner to runner in 10-mile segments.

SUP officials also are planning encampments or programs along the route whenever possible to coincide with the changing of runners. Law enforcement cars will escort the runners day and night on roads closely following the historic route.

However, runners will not use interstate highways due to safety factors, officials said.

The National Historic Mormon Pioneer Trail bill calls for the government to mark the route with special explanatory signs and possibly develop camping and recreation sites along the way on federal and state lands. Some \$300,000 is allocated for the project.

The Mormon Trail provision is in the wide-ranging legislation that allocates approximately \$1.2 billion for dozens of additions to national parks, boundary changes, establishment of new federal parks and seashores, and wild and scenic river studies in 45 states.

The legislation creates a new provision for historic trails to mark significant developments in the nation's history. Among those designated in the legislation are the Oregon Trail, which parallels the Mormon Trail for several hundred miles, the Lewis and Clark trail and trails in Alaska and along the Continental Divide.

The Deseret News - SUP Nauvooto-Salt Lake relay will begin on the streets of the historic town that has been restored to its original condition of the mid-1800's and end in a metropolitan city with its skyscrapers and modern technology.



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### SUP Favors New Heritage Park

President Mott informed the business meeting at the SUP Encampment of the following proposal. He is a member of the new Canyon Rim Heritage chapter.

Clinton Mott, President Canyon Rim Citizens Committee 2617 Barbey Drive Salt Lake City, Utah 84109

Dear President Mott:

During the business meeting of the 1978 Encampment of the Sons of Utah Pioneers, the delegates representing twenty-seven chapters of the organization, voted on August 5, 1978 that they were unanimously in favor of encouraging and urging the Salt Lake Parks Commission and the Canyon Rim Citizens Association in their recommendation that the eighty acres lying between the Country Club Golf course and Foothill Boulevard, sometimes referred to as Parley's Gulch, be developed as a pioneer historic and nature park.

We as officers of the National Society certify that this proclamation was made at our annual Encampment and we whole-heartedly support the development of the historic area lying between the Country Club Golf Course and Foothill Boulevard as a historic and nature park.

Many early events in the history of Utah, particularly the pioneer aspect, occurred in this area, namely the erection of a large woolen mill, entrance to Parley's Toll Highway, and the establishment of a Pony Express station in the nearby vicinity.

Sincerely yours, John J. Nielsen Executive Secretary

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### Mormon Battalion Participates in Dedication of Historic Site

by Otto Duke

The U. S. Mormon Battalion turned out in full uniform, May 19, 1978 to participate in the dedication of the Tenth Ward Chapel and connecting buildings, as a National Historic Site.

The L.D.S. Tenth Ward Square, which had been nominated by the Historic and Cultural Sites Review Committee, and the Utah State Historic Preservation Officer, was officially listed on the National Register of Historic Places by the National Park Service, on November 11, 1977.

The Tenth Ward Bishopric, working closely with General Church Officers, erected a plaque, containing the information why this site was chosen. A new flag pole was erected and two benches placed to invite all who pass the corner of fourth South and Eighth East, to stop and read the plaque.

May 19, 1978 was the date chosen to dedicate the plaque, and flag pole with full ceremony and military salute. The Ward planned a festive occasion of music, program, games, square dancing, a movie and refreshments. All members were requested to dress in typical pioneer attire.

Bishop Grant J. Fetzer then read the wording on the plaque, as follows:

#### UTAH HISTORIC SITE TENTH WARD SQUARE

As a result of the organization of the original nineteen wards of the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints (Mormon) in Salt Lake City on February 22, 1849, ward squares or blocks were created on which the public buildings for each ward were constructed. Of the original squares, only the Tenth Ward Square retains the buildings which served the settlers' spiritual, economic, cultural and educational needs. Still standing are the 1873 meetinghouse, the first building used exclusively for religious pur-





poses, the third school house, built in 1887 and one of the earliest known designs of Richard K. A. Kletting, prominent architect and German immigrant of 1883; the late Gothic revival Church constructed in 1909 and the Tenth Ward Store built in 1880. The store is connected to a house which was built in the 1890's by Adam Speirs, Bishop and proprietor of the store. Originally the Tenth Ward was bounded by Sixth East on the West, the foothills on the East, Third South on the North and Sixth South on the South.

The first Bishopric of the Tenth Ward consisted of David Pettigrew, Bishop, with Daniel Tyler, 1st Counselor and Sanford Porter, 2nd Counselor. All three of these men were members of the Mormon Battalion.

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This was followed by: Raising the colors by the U. S. Mormon Battalion:-Col. Fred Reese, National Commander, presiding, Col. Elmer B. Jones, National Executive Officer, Lt. Col. D. Wesley Reese, Utah Division Officer was in charge.

Lt. Eugene B. Duffin in charge of Flag detail, consisting of: Otto Duke, Rudy Christiansen, Bill Erickson, and Allen S. Crow.

Sixteen other members of the Battalion in full uniform stood at attention while raising the National Flag and then the Utah Flag.

Col. Elmer B. Jones then made some remarks regarding the long march and many accomplishments of the Mormon Battalion in 1846-47.

#### **BISHOPRIC ALL SOLDIERS**

The Mormon Battalion was invited to participate in the flag-raising ceremony because the first bishopric of the Tenth Ward were all members of the Mormon Battalion, plus five other members of the ward at the time it was organized in 1849.

David Pettigrew, the first bishop, was known as "Father Pettigrew" who acted as a chaplain of the Battalion and was frequently called to visit the sick and to comfort and administer to them. He enlisted as a Private in Company E, but later was made an officer when he became Chaplain.

(see DEDICATION on page 13)

### River Adventure Was Exciting



River runners

October 5th dawned with a beautiful clear sky and no wind. The ride to Moab was invigorating and each man was charged with expectation as the Colorado trip was only minutes away.

At Moab 35 men loaded their gear in the back end of a bus and then occupied all the seats. The twenty mile trip by bus down the river gave us an opportunity to stop twice to see some Indian Hieroglyphics etched in the rocks.

All the gear and personal trappings were loaded into two large rubber rafts with 20 HP outboard motors and each with a spare motor just in case. The gear was neatly and tightly roped in a waterproof tarp on which some of the men sat. The Jet Boat carried no gear but did take eleven men and the guide. Each raft carried the gear and twelve men.

The water was so brown with sand that it was impossible to see deeper than one inch and this made the sand bars our first problem. We overcame this easily however because the skipper has only to step off and he alone could push us off the sand which would be eight to twelve inches under the surface.

The two skippers who manned the rafts did the cooking and for the evening meal we had blackeyed peas with pressed ham and special sauce all cooked in dutch ovens. They knew how to cook. Tex, the owner and chief sat by the fire and told stories like you wouldn't believe.

The night was cold and the stars were at their best. It was more comfortable to put our heads down into the sleeping bags. We stopped at Indian Canyon the next day -- had lunch, hiked up the canyon a short distance to see the ruins of the Cliff Dwellers.

The Green River joined us in the late afternoon of the second day and this made twice as much water. We stopped at the Spanish Bottoms and prepared for the night. As we sat around the fire we could hear the constant rumble of the river as it started into Cataract Canyon -- only 400 yards down stream.

After breakfast we started the 4 mile hike which would take us to the top of the south rim of the river. As we climbed ever higher and higher we could look back across the canyon and see the famous "Doll House" -- called so because of the many statuettes

After the four-mile, four-hour hike we were met by Park Service jeeps and other 4-wheeled vehicles. They had a box lunch for each man and more water for those who ran out. We were short two vehicles so the conditions were very crowded. The road back took us over Elephant Hill and down the Silver Stairs . . . a road that no one will ever forget! Those who didn't join us missed a most delightful and memorable trip.

-Ken Wiseman

### Dr. Perkins Returns From Israel Expedition

Dr. Evan Perkins, Sacramento, returned home from a six-week assignment in Israel with a B.Y.U. sponsored archeological group. He served as chief medical officer for the expedition but he and his wife, Venice, also joined in the digging, brushing, and carrying out sand in the 12 to 14 hour days which began at 4:30 a.m.

Many artifacts dating back 2000 years were discovered, making the assignment a fascinating one. He reports that the people were warm and friendly, though resentful of American tourists.

Dr. Perkins is a national vice president for the SUP, representing northern California.



Dr. Perkins in Israel.

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### WELCOME TO BURLEY, CASSIA AND MINIDOKA COUNTIES, IDAHO Crossroads of Old Pioneer Oregon and California Trails

From 1846 until 1869 when the railroad was completed, 250,000 Americans emigrated in wagon trains over so called wagon roads - actually only parallel ruts leading across 2,000 miles of prairies, deserts and mountains. It was a race for life - 5 months from spring thaw in Missouri until snow fall in the Sierra Nevada Mountains. The trails had to follow rivers for food, water, and fodder. There were no service stations! An unrepairable wheel or axle forced abandonment of possessions and continuation on foot or horseback. Traveling in a train of 6 or 8 wagons helped. Indians attacked. Many never made it: BURIALS AVERAGED ONE EVERY TENTH MILE.

In 1803 the Louisianna Purchase doubled the territory of the 13 states. This resulted in recognition of a richly endowed wilderness west of the Rocky Mountains, (drained by the Snake and Columbia Rivers), were unclaimed by any nation. In 1811 the Wilson Party employed by Astor's American Fur Co. camped near Burley enroute to the mouth of the Columbia River where they established a trading post named Astoria. This became a basis for America to

claim ownership of this Northwest Territory.

In 1843 Joseph Walker established the first overland wagon route to California, leaving the Oregon Trail near Burley. This route followed the Raft River to City of Rocks then thru Goose Creek to the Humbolt River to cross Nevada. This made the Burley area a crossroad. Cassia County is an Indian name for crossroads. The American trappers and trading posts occupied and dominated these lands until the great migration of American families started in 1846.

This was really how the West was won and held.

The courage and dedication of these American pioneers can be compared to our Pilgrim forefathers crossing of the Atlantic. To leave civilization for the uncertainties and unprotected wilderness required a great faith -- a desire to possess and own land -- and to strive for the rewards of personal achievement. This was a primary inherent trait of both groups. After 100 years numerous remains of these historic wagon ruts can still be seen as well as rest stops where numerous Indian raids and massacres occurred. Don't miss the opportunity to visit this historic area and appreciate the struggles of our forefathers.

- President Gene Drake, Temple Quarry Chapter and member of Magic Valley Chapter

### First Idaho Chapter to Be Organized

Idaho's first chapter of the Sons of the Utah Pioneer's will be chartered in November. The proposed name will be Magic Valley Chapter.

This chapter has had two meetings this summer to get temporarily organized. They also had a gettogether on September 29, 1978. At this meeting we heard from the ''Old Time Fiddlers,'' who reside in the Magic Valley area. They played many tunes on such instruments as fiddles, guitars, mandolins and a drum.

We really enjoyed this and hope we can become enthused about SUP. In our area we live right on the California-Oregon trail (Rock City area) and also part of the Pony Express. Our chapter will cover the Magic Valley area of Idaho: Twin Falls, Burley, Raft River, Albion and Malta.

- Scott R. Jensen (Temporary Treasurer)



New Magic Valley Chapter organized in 1978 in Southern Idaho Standing: Scott Jensen, Pres. Bob Jensen, Gaylen Myers, Peggy Myers, Calvin Webb, Cassia Co. Commissioner Norman Dayley. Seated: Anita Jensen, Carol Jensen, Newell Meyers, Lucile Meyers, Elva Webb. Other members not shown: Gene Drake, J. C. Richards

Charles L. Wright Temple Quarry

Charles L. Wright, presidentelect of the Temple Quarry chapter of the Sons of the Utah Pioneers has been awarded the George Meany Award for his service to youth.

This award is the highest award given by organized labor for service to youth through the Boy Scouts of America. It is presented to union members who have performed outstanding service as a volunteer scout leader.

Mr. Wright, a plumber in the Plumbers and Steamfitters Union Local 19, was presented with the award during ceremonies Sept. 20th at the Utah State AFL-CIO convention held at the Tri-Arc Travelodge.

He first became a scout leader in 1952, serving as an assistant Explorer advisor. He has served in a scouting position each year since that time, working on a ward, stake, district or council level. He has also helped as a merit badge counselor for over 22 years.

He is also the recipient of three Scouters Key's -- Scoutmaster, Explorer Advisor and Neighborhood Commissioner -- the Silver Beehive and Silver Beaver awards.

At the present time, he is serving as an assistant district commissioner in the Alta View district.

### CHAPTER



### Seasons Greetings to

### **Temple Quarry**

On the twenty-third of June under the direction of trek master Glen Greenwood and president Gene Drake, the Temple Quarry chapter went on a trek to Southern Idaho. They met at Gene Drake's ranch in Albion, Idaho, stayed the night and Saturday visited the City of the Rocks, and stayed at life members home, Brother and Sister Newell Myers home at Murtaugh.

On June 24 they organized the first SUP chapter in Idaho, now called the Magic Valley chapter with 6 Idaho members and Gene Drake and J. C. Richards. Robert Jensen and his wife, Carol, were called to be temporary chairman of the group. On June 25 they visited Shoshone Falls and the Ice Caves and then the members all left to go home.

On August the 18 at the home of president and sister Bob Jensen, Heyburn, Idaho the second chapter meeting of the Magic Valley chapter took place . . . an outdoor cookout. Temporary officers were organized until the Charter takes place. They are Pres. Robert Jensen, VP Val Dimond, Sec. Galen Meyers and Treasurer Scott Jensen.

On October the 10th the Temple Quarry chapter took a trek to the Salt Lake Temple under the direction of temple chairman Lawrence W. Doxey and went through the 4 p.m. session. A wonderful time was had by all.

-Gene Drake

The September meeting was held at the JordanEll Reception Center on the 14th with a pot luck dinner served at 6:30 p.m. More than 100 members and partners were in attendance.

A special musical program was given by the Gene Weber family. President Eugene Drake thanked everyone for their contribution to the Nauvoo Flag Pole.

- E. Rawlings

### **EMC Chapter** Represented by 9 Missionary Couples

Having many couples on missions has not deterred the growth or activity of the chapter, reports John J. Nielsen, president.

Fourteen new choice members have joined with the enthusiastic support of choice companions, since the chapter directory was published. Eight are becoming life members. This makes a total of 38 life members

(or 38% of the chapter).

East Mill Creek chapter mails The Pioneer magazine to all of its missionary couples besides presenting its widows with subscriptions. Burt Keddington with his Allegro Chorus will provide the entertainment for the chapter's Christmas dinner on Dec. 18. At that time, each of the 100 chapter members will be given a bound copy of 16 Pioneer Facts which had been presented by members.

The November dinner was hosted by Wilson Seely and LaMar Busath, with Elder Marion D. Hanks as the speaker. Chapter officers were elected

at this time.

MISSIONARIES

Recently returned missionaries are L. Roland and Frances Bain, N. Y. Visitors Center; Albert A. and Dorothy Erickson, Montana-Billings; Rudolph and Margaret Voss, California-Ŝan Diego; Thomas B. and Alice Neff, N. Y. C

The following are just entering the mission field: LaMar I. and Helen Gardner, Idaho Falls Visitors Center; J. Marden and Kathryn Despain, Scotland-Glasgow.

Currently serving: David J. and Helen Ballstaedt, Washington, D.C. Visitors Center; Lionel J. and Ann Halverson, Georgia-Atlanta; and Branson B. and Evelyn Neff, New Mexico-Albuquerque.

### NEWS

### One and All



Chapter presidents John J. Nielsen, EMC and Arch J. Milczarek of Canvon Rim Heritage, enjoy party together.

### **East Mill Creek Hosts Canyon Rim**

true fellowship pattern, members and wives of two neighboring chapters met together at a picnic dinner at Lower Canyon Rim Park on August 29. More than 200 people were present.

An impressive program followed. Women of Nauvoo Courageous was presented by the Alvin G. Pack family. Mary Kennedy gave a patri-

otic recitation.

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### **Company D is Active**

Like the pioneer soldier of 1846 48, the modern Battalion demonstrates consistent service to communities.

The Mormon Battalion, Company D, Logan, has had a very eventful year, having given community service in the following parades:

Tucson, Arizona Fiesta Days Rodeo Parade February 23, 1978 Smithfield Health Days May 13, 1978 Lewiston Patriotic Parade July 4, 1978 Hyrum Patriotic Parade July 4, 1978 Mendon Patriotic Parade July 22, 1978 Preston, Idaho Rodeo Parade

July 29, 1978 Wellsville, Utah Founders Day Parade September 4, 1978

They also went to Salt Lake City on May 19, 1978 for the dedication of a marker honoring the 10th Ward.

May 21st, 22 members and 5 children visited and placed flowers on the graves of ten of the original Battalion men who are buried in Cache Valley.

May 29th, the Mormon Battalion were at the State Capitol Building in Salt Lake City for the Flag Raising Ceremony for Memorial Day.

June 9th, the Daughters of Utah Pioneers asked the Mormon Battalion to Post the Colors for their fourcounty Convention held at the Logan LDS 5th Ward.

July 24th, they were invited to Lagoon to assist in the Flag raising ceremony in honor of the Utah Pioneer Days.

When the Sons of Utah Pioneers held their national yearly convention in Logan on August 5, 1978, the Mormon Battalion was again asked to Post the Colors.



Co. D, Logan

On September 3, 1978, they were at the Wellsville Stake House to participate in the Wellsville Founders Day celebration. A patriotic program featured organist J. Spencer Cornwall in the Wellsville LDS Tabernacle.

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### Dedication

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Daniel Tyler, was first counselor to Bishop Pettigrew. In the Battalion he was a sergeant in Company C. He kept a very good diary of events of the March to the Pacific Ocean and after his tour of duty he wrote, and had published, "A Concise History of the Mormon Battalion in the Mexican War." This book is the most widely used account of the Mormon Battalion, giving many incidents of the trek and listing all of the members, by their rank and company.

Sanford Porter was second counselor to Bishop Pettigrew and was a private in Company E of the Battalion. Other members of the Tenth Ward at its organization who were in the Battalion were:

Pvt. Israel Evans, Company B Pvt. Samuel Rogers, Company B Pvt. Daniel Q. Dennet, Company E Pvt. John Steele, Company D Pvt. William Strong, Company E

### **Lorenzo Clark Mormon Battalion** Officer and Utah Pioneer

Compiled by Ray L. Alston

Lorenzo Clark was born, 25 May 1806, to Francis and Abigail Kimball Clark at Groston or Grafton, Coos County, New Hampshire. He married Beulah Ann Rogers, 13 November 1830.

Baptized a member of the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints in December 1837, he was later ordained an Elder 6 April 1840, at Nauvoo, Illinois by Joseph Smith. NAUVOO LEGIÓN

He was a member of the Nauvoo Legion and on 10 August 1844 paid for one share in the Nauvoo Legion arsenal. His receipt #99 in possession

of his descendants, is signed by Brigham Young, Lt. General; Charles C. Rich, Major General and E. Elsworth, Secretary.

Another receipt, also, shows under the date of 19 September 1844, at Nauvoo, that Lorenzo Clark had paid his tithing in full and so was entitled to use the baptismal font.

U.S. MORMON BATTALION

One of the first to volunteer in the Mormon Battalion, Lorenzo Clark was mustered into the Mexican War service, 16 July 1846 as 2nd Lieutenant in Company A, as the 2nd officer under Captain Jefferson Hunt. He served in that capacity the full year making the march through the southwest to San Diego and to Fort Moore, Los Angeles, California, with eventual discharge 16 July 1847. It was the longest infantry march in history - 2000 miles. They opened the first road over the southern route to the Pacific, no Mexican army dared to attack and the territory was saved for the United States.

With the death of Colonel James Allen, at 6:00 p.m., 23 August 1846, at Fort Leavenworth, after leading the Battalion from Winter Quarters and Council Bluffs where the Battalion of 500 men in 5 companies was recruited and mustered in, there was need for another commanding officer to be selected and approved. Lieutenant Smith was sent to where the Battalion was camped after starting on their march with the recommendation from headquarters at Fort Leavenworth that he be given the command. Lorenzo Clark was one of three of the council of officers who tried to have Captain Jefferson Hunt selected - but Lt. Smith was approved by the majority who favored taking the headquarter's recommendation and Lt. Smith commanded the Battalion at that time.

ACTIVITIES IN UTAH

Information is lacking as to the route taken back to Utah and date of arrival in Salt Lake Valley and as to his activities and family; though the record shows he was sealed to his first wife, 20 January 1846, and that she died 9 January 1885 at St. George, Utah. They had 9 children, 4 born in Perth, Ontario, Canada; 3 at Nauvoo, Illinois; 1 in Iowa and 1 in Utah. It is most interesting and coincidental that a second great great granddaughter of Lorenzo Clark and his first wife, Beulah, Ann Rogers; Dorothy M. Higgins Lingen, with her husband and three children, Pieter J. Corina May, Benjamin W., live next door neighbor to Florence Rose (Nikki) Bell and family mentioned below, who is the great granddaughter of Lorenzo Clark by his second wife, Mary Ann Hunt Clark. Dorothy's father was William E. Higgins whose father was William B. Higgins whose mother was Mary Louisa Clark, the 5th child of Lorenzo and Beulah Ann Rogers, who was the first of their children born in Nauvoo.

#### FIRST BATTALION REUNION

Lt. Clark was one of those who gathered in Salt Lake City from all parts of Utah and elsewhere to attend the first festival of the Mormon Battalion and their families with the Church Presidency and other authorities in the Social Hall, 6 and 7 February 1855. Speeches, entertainment and refreshments were plentiful. When Lorenzo Clark was called on he mentioned that as the Mormon Battalion were leaving Winter Quarters to go on their way - one lady was heard to say to another, "How do you feel about your husband going?" The reply was: "I'd rather



Pictured above are Pearl Southwick and husband Ray L. Alston who celebrated their golden wedding June 30 at a reception held in the Distinctive Catering Center, 300 East and 2700 South, Salt Lake

Their posterity includes 4 children, 18 grandchildren and 3 great grandchildren. Ray is a member of the Salt Lake SUP chapter and has served for several years as historian for the

Mormon Battalion.

be a soldier's widow than a coward's wife' wife."

Clark said, "May this spirit be with all," then he continued expressing his joy at the peace now enjoyed, the joy of this reunion and festival and he made the prediction that the offspring of the Battalion members would become as numerous as the sand of the seashore and concluded with - "I pray that we may ever feel the spirit that will prompt us to act whenever called upon in defense of our country.'

**EARLY CERTIFICATES PRESERVED** 

A tithing receipt dated, 30 December 1852, was given to Clark in Salt Lake City for produce and labor,

signed by H. Cory.

The marriage of Lorenzo Clark to Mary Ann Hunt was performed 16 February 1856 at Salt Lake City by Brigham Young with date of sealing given as 13 September 1861. This marriage certificate is signed by witnesses Edwin D. Wooley and Albert Carrington and by Wilford Woodruff, as recorder. Their first (concluded on next page)

child Albert Delorma Clark was born 12 March 1857 at Ogden, Utah; as were the next three - Alfarata, 28 November 1858; Mary Rosetta, 30 January 1861; and Lorenzo Clark, 9 March 1863. Alonzo was born 15 November 1864 at Hamilton Fort, Iron. Co., Utah and the rest of their 12 children were all born in St. George, Utah: Annie Elizabeth, 28 November 1867; Franklin Danby, 18 August 1870; Sarah Elizabeth, who died May 1871; Oscar, 11 June 1872; Sarah Elizabeth, 14 September 1874; Thomas Otto, 7 November 1876 and Maud, 10 December 1879. The daughter, Annie Elizabeth, married David Hunt Doxey, 31 October 1889, and their family included 7 daughters and 3 sons. Their 5th child and 5th daughter, Alfarata Doxey, known as Olva, born 4 August 1899, married Paul Heesch Alder, 15 December 1920 in the Salt Lake Temple. They had 2 sons who died as infants and 2 daughters. One of the daughters, Florence Rose Alder (known as Nikki) married Ronald Owen Bell and they have 4 children; Paula Lynn, Cynthia Rae, Ronda Lee and David Alder Bell, all of Salt Lake City, Stratford Ward, Highland Stake; from whom much of this information was obtained.

At the October 1861 Church Conference, the "Call" was given to 300 men with their families to make a settlement in Utah's Dixie. Lorenzo Clark was included. The "Dixie Mission" was led by Apostles Orson Pratt and Erastus Snow. Among these 300 men were many highly skilled craftsmen of all kinds, some of whom had marched with Joseph Smith to Zion's Camp, 48 members of the Mormon Battalion and some men of the original company of Pioneers of July 1847, Brigham Young called this "mission" to establish a settlement to be known as St. George. It was named after George Albert Smith with the prefix "ST." from places in England he had known while on his mission there. In early December 1861 all the families had arrived in the valley. At a meeting, 9 January 1862, plans were made for an education building and for establishing the settlement. A census of the settlers showed 378 males, 370 females, 209 wagons, 121 horses, 34 mules, 569 oxen, 340 cows, 345 young stock, 677 sheep, 32 pigs, 92 plows and 33 harrows. Lorenzo Clark had Lot 5 apportioned to him. He and Jesse W. Crosby, a son in law, established a tannery by a spring at the east slope of what is now Main Street and provided tanned leather for shoes and harnesses until factory goods imported made this unprofitable. A deed from Lorenzo Clark to his wife Mary Ann Hunt Clark and heirs conveyed his plot of ground in St. George, under the date of 17 April 1874 consisting of 64 rods square for "Love and Affection".

In his 95th year, Lorenzo Clark passed away, 22 January 1901, in Ogden at the home of his daughter Mrs. David Hunt Doxey (Annie Elizabeth Clark) having lived with her when not in St. George with his family. He was a rugged individual, soldier and pioneer and lived a long and honorable life, loyal and true to his country and church and family and enjoyed the love and respect of all who knew him. He was buried in the Ogden City Cemetery. Survivors at the time of his death were, in addition to Mrs. Doxey: Mrs. Elizabeth Higgins and Alonzo Clark of St. George; Albert Clark, Panguitch; Thomas Otto Clark of Mammouth; Mrs. R.S. Shirtz and Mrs. Joseph McIntyre of Ogden.

#### **BATTALION OFFICIALLY** RECOGNIZED

It is interesting to note that Lorenzo Clark, 18 February 1887, from St. George made application to the United States Commission on Pensions for the Mexican War Veteran's pension which was granted. He also subscribed for "The Vedette" published in Washington D.C., \$1.00 per year in the interest of Mexican War Veterans by the National Association of Mexican War Veterans.

His widow, Mary Ann Hunt Clark, also applied for widow's pension and was notified 25 January 1902, by Senator Thomas Kearns that it had been allowed - at \$8.00 per month from date of Clark's death. It was raised to \$12.00 per month as of 19 April 1908.

Mrs. Bell has a ticket (not transferable) given to Lorenzo Clark to attend a Theological lecture by Brigham Young 13 March 1868.

The ticket is headed: "Holiness To The Lord".

The above is the only known published report of the life of Lorenzo Clark. There are about 80 other Mormon Battalion members whose histories have not been published. If any of these can be found or compiled, the present day Mormon Battalion organization desires to secure them to complete a record of every original member.



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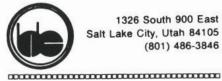
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### Day for Remembering - by Lawrence L. Epperson

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fathers to their soldiers and counseling them in righteousness in all things that they remember their prayers . . . and be kind and courteous . . ., showing all due deference and respect to their officers; using no profane or vain language or doing anything that tends to debase them in the eyes of beholders; remembering the ordinances in cases of sickness, and keeping themselves pure and unspotted from surrounding elements and combinations, so that they may win the respect and confidence of the whole world . . . ''

The wife of Alva Phelps (whose husband suffered death just two months from the date of his enlistment) gave this account of their plight when he was called: "We were traveling when the call came for him to leave us. It was midnight when we were awakened from our slumbers with the painful news that we were to be left homeless, without a protector. I was very ill at the time, my children all small, my baby also extremely sick; but the call was pressing; there was no time for any provision to be made for wife or children; no time for tears . . . He started in the morning. I watched him from my wagon-bed until his loved form was lost in the distance; it was my last sight of him. . . . my neighbors could do little . . . my little daughter of seven my only help; no eye to witness my sufferings but the pitying one of God - He did not desert me!" (What a great debt we owe our noble pioneer men and women.)

#### **BATTALION EARNS RESPECT**

Their long march over, commendation to the Battalion members in January 30, 1847 at the Mission of San Diego is most impressive. "The Lt. Col. (Cooke) commanding congratulates the Battalion on their safe arrival on the shore of the Pacific Ocean and the conclusion of their march of over two thousand miles. . . History may be searched in vain for an equal march where nothing but savages and wild beasts are found; or deserts where, for want of water, there is no living creature. There, with almost hopeless labor, we have dug deep wells, which the future traveler will enjoy. Without a guide who had traversed them, we have entered into trackless tablelands where water was not found for several marches. With crowbar and pick and axe in hand we have worked our way over the mountains, which seemed to defy aught save the wild goat; and hewed a passage through a chasm of living rock more narrow than our wagons. To bring these first wagons to the Pacific, we have preserved the strength of our mules by herding them over large tracts, which you have laboriously guarded, without loss. The garrison of four presidios of Sonora . . . within the walls of Tucson, gave us no pause. We drove them out with their own artillery, but our intercourse with the citizens was unmarked by a single act of injustice. Thus, marching half naked, and half fed, and living upon wild animals, we have discovered and made a road of great value to

our country."

On May 14, 1847, LDS Captain Jefferson Hunt wrote to Pres. Young: "When we got to this country, we found that Fremont and our old Missouri 'friends' had been giving the Californians our 'character' as Mormons. The inhabitants, however, are joyfully disappointed. They find that we are 'a much superior race' to the 'Americans' (they had known before). "Everywhere we have been, we have left a good impression upon the minds of the people . . . Not only this, but when anything of importance has to be done, the government officers seem to give our battalion the preference. Our fame is spreading far and near."

Having served the US Government in Germany, Japan and South Vietnam as a servicemen's coordinator for the Church, I can testify that this tradition has been followed by our loyal LDS members in the military service from that time until the present.

Our brave pioneer ancestors faced untold dangers and death. The Mormon Battalion included 500 men and women who were all willing to face almost impossible hardships and death.

### **Pioneer Chapter**

Our October luncheon was held at the Lion House. Darlene Hutcheson, president of the Utah Congress of P.T.A., spoke on the priorities of issues related to this area of the state.

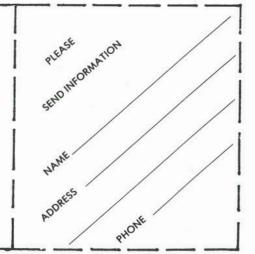
Craig Rasmussen presented the historical sketch.

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### Harold H. Jenson Dies at 83

Former national president of the SUP, Harold Howell Jenson died of natural causes on October 31, 1978 in Salt Lake City. He served for six terms as national historian and for many years as advertising manager for the Sons of Utah Pioneers.

He was a retired newspaper man having worked with three Salt Lake papers and a radio station. He gave years of voluntary service as historian for the Old Folks Central Committee, visiting the elderly pioneers, writing and publishing their life stories.

RECEIVED MANY AWARDS

During the 1947 pioneer centennial trek, Hal made the suggestion that a Mormon Battalion trek be organized to travel that route. This was accomplished in 1950. Later when the USMB was organized by the SUP he continued to serve as public relations officer. In 1974 Lt. Col. Jenson was presented with the distinquished service award. The following year he was presented with a plaque by John Shaw, national SUP president to honor his years of service to that organization. As recently as Oct. 14, 1978 during the annual MB Day convention, Harold was recognized by the presentation of a special award by the national commander.

SHOWED ENTHUSIASM

Some positive traits were obvious. He was considerate of elderly persons. He offered his services generously. He was hospitable and appreciative. Harold had a zest for learning, - wanted to be aware of what was going on, and to become involved. In spite of his surge of enthusiasm, he had a humble spirit which indicated that he desired to improve his life and to serve others. FAMILY

Harold was born April 8, 1895 to Andrew Jenson and Emma Howell Jenson. He was married in the S.L. Temple to Martha Smith Jenson who



preceded him in death August 7, 1977. He was a High Priest. Served a mission to England.

Survivors: sons, Dr. Harold S. Jenson, Farmington; Dr. Mark B. Jenson, Provo; Robert S. Jenson, Vancouver, B. C.; daughters, Edna Montani, SLC; Reva (Peggy) Reynolds, Ogden; 13 grandchildren, 18 great grandchildren, sister, Eva J. Olson, SLC. Interment was in the Salt Lake Cemetery.

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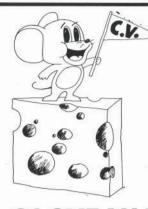
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### NEW BOOKS

A MORMON BIBLIOGRAPHY, 1830-1930: BOOKS, PAMPHLETS, PERIODICALS, AND BROADSIDES RELATING TO THE FIRST CENTURY OF MORMONISM.

Edited by Chad J. Flake. Introduction by Dale L. Morgan. Salt Lake City: University of Utah Press, 1978. 825 pp. \$75.00

If books were classified like boxers, Mormon Bibliography would enter the ring as a heavyweight champion. This hefty and handsome compilation, fulfilling the late Dale L. Morgan's dream of thirty years, identifies more than ten thousand items published by and about the Mormons through 1930. Entries represent publications in nine languages -- books, pamphlets, periodicals, and broadsides housed in a hundred different libraries from New England to southern California.

This most useful product, begun by Morgan (who penned the informative introduction), nurtured by the Utah State Historical Society, and now completed by BYU librarian Chad Flake, is a cornucopia of information for researchers and readers of Mormon history. It is now possible to own your own "card" catalogue of early Mormoniana. Mormon Bilbiography lists official and private publications of the several churches which trace their origin to Joseph Smith.

The bibliography is organized alphabetically by author (when known). No subject index was feasible in such a vast compilation. but periods in Mormon history can be examined through a chronological (yearby year) index. As an indication of the scope of the listings: This guide locates copies of the Book of Mormon in fifteen languages and 155 different printings, two-thirds of them in English; identifies twelve "editions" of Nephi Anderson's popular Added Upon (1898-1912); and twelve printings of Parley P. Pratt's Key to the Science of Theology (1855-1915) in four languages.

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A work of this kind is never finished, and the editors left for a future bibliography a listing of maps, prints, individual articles, and unpublished manuscripts. Hopefully the use of computer cataloguing systems will make that task possible before another thirty years.

#### SISTER SAINTS

Edited by Vicky Burgess-Olson Provo: Brigham Young University Press, 1978 494 pp. \$7.95, paper

More than two dozen Mormon women, most of them with familiar names in Latter-day Saint history, receive article-length biographical examination in this welcome book. Welcome because it helps fill a gap in Mormon history left by earlier tendencies to neglect the role of women.

Except for their common membership in the Church of the nineteenth and early twentieth century, the women of this entertaining and informative volume lived greatly varied lives. Included mostly are women of the prominence of Eliza R. Snow, Susa Young Gates, and Aurelia Spencer Rogers. The focus is upon the Maud May Babcocks of the theater arts, the Patty Sessionses of midwifery, the Martha Hughes Cannons of government, and the Ellis Reynolds Shipps of medicine. Lesser known women offer supplementary examples of accomplishments on the Mormon frontiers of colonization, business, education, and other fields. All made important contributions to their Church and community, and these biographical studies are an important first step toward recognizing those achievements in narrative histories.

The authors of these carefully researched studies, all women themselves and mostly LDS, approached their tasks differently, adding to the variety of the book and not detracting from the unity of the common theme. Problems in production left the book with detracting visual shortcomings which can be corrected in future printings. Such is assured, for the volume has been well-received by bookbuyers. It takes its place beside Claudia L Bushman's Mormon Sisters: Women in Early Utah (Emmeline Press, Boston, 1976) as recommended reading for sons (and daughters) of Utah Pioneers.

- Glen M. Leonard

#### OCTOBER'S GOODIES

Oh isn't October grand?
When you live in a goodly land.
When it's time for pop-corn popping,
When walnuts, from the trees are dropping.
Oh Gosh! Oh me! Oh my!
Pumpkin and apple pie.
Oh, isn't October grand?
When you live in this goodly land?

-- Veron Curtis

Dedicated to Mr. Curtis' daughter, Donna Boren, on her birthday October 12.

### HOW TO COMPILE YOUR FAMILY HISTORY

by J Malan Heslop and Dell Van Orden Salt Lake City: Bookcraft, 1978 \$1.95 74 pp.

This "how to" book offers basic advice on writing the biography of a deceased ancestor. It explains systems for notetaking (looseleaf notebooks or half-sheets of paper are best), sources to consult, and hints for interviewing family members. Other chapters give helpful warnings on cross-checking for accuracy, tips on using photographs, hints for writing the history, wise advice on preparing for research trips, and options for publishing the manuscript.

The authors believe, rightly, that writing your own life story first will make easier the compilation of an ancestor's biography. How to Compile Your Family History shows you how to tell the life story of a single ancestor, the easiest way to do family history. The more difficult group biography is not considered.

Don't expect detailed assistance from this thin volume. Its intent is to motivate and to provide a simple, workable guideline for beginning biographers. The early chapters lean heavily toward bare bones genealogical sources for family history. Later on, the authors add suggestions for fleshing out historical background. A chapter on foreign travel, suggesting the need to understand the lifestyles of the past, contains good advice applicable to all biographical research.

These stories awaken an interest in learning more of your own pioneer ancestors. But learning is only the first step. "Research is essential," the authors advise, "but we cannot emphasize too much that it must be followed by WRITING. Gathering material, doing research, and writing are simultaneous efforts in producing a family history."

--Glen M. Leonard



### **Golden Years Beckon Couple**

Mr. and Mrs. Veron P. Curtis. Lehi, were honored on the occasion of their golden wedding anniversary August 21. Veron served on the national board of SUP for three years and is a Captain in the U.S. Mormon Battalion.

They are the parents of six children: Norma Workman, Orem; LaRue Howard, Riverton; Lois Neil, Verlene Moffett and Donna Boren all of Lehi; and Michael Curtis, American Fork; 31 grandchildren and 15 greatgrandchildren.

Before retirement in 1973, Veron was an electrician for 50 years. He was born in Salem, Utah Nov. 11, 1907. Both he and his wife Alene Livingston Curtis are active church workers.

Mrs. Curtis was born September 2, 1912 in Elba, Idaho. She is a teacher in the D.U.P. organization. Her hobbies of making quilts and crocheting have won her several prizes around the state.

### Chapter Eternal



Henry D. Call

Layton - Henry D. Call, 84, died Sept. 21, 1978 of heart failure.

He was born April 13, 1894, in Bountiful, a son of David and Eliza Dittmore Call.

He married Violet Wood on Oct. 8, 1919, in the Salt Lake LDS Temple.

He was a school teacher in the Layton and Clinton Elementary schools for 42 years, and principal for 35 years of that time.

He was an active member of the Layton 2nd LDS Ward and served as counselor in three bishoprics and high councilman for

He was an Eagle Scout and was awarded the Silver Beaver 50-year service pin. He was an honorary Master M-Man.

He was a member of the National Board of Sons of Utah Pioneers.

He was a veteran of World War I.

Surviving are his widow of Layton; four sons and one daughter, Richard W. Call, Red Bluff, Calif.; Stephen W. Call, and Henry D. Call, both of Bountiful: Dr. Jay W. Call, Logan; Mrs. David B. (Elizabeth) Barlow, Redwood City, Calif.; 24 grandchildren; 11 great-grandchildren; three brothers and two sisters, David Call and Lyman Call, both of Bountiful; Milton Call and Mrs. Octavia Neville, both of Layton; Mrs. Rachel C. Burton, Fielding. Burial was in the Bountiful Memorial Park.

#### **William Wood**

William Charles Wood, 74 of Ogden, died Saturday, July 22, 1978 in the Lake Hospital in Yellowstone National Park of a heart attack.

He was born October 22, 1903 in Ogden, a son of William J. and Minnie Mable Wood.

He married Fern Elvaretta Watson on Sept. 9, 1925 in the LDS Salt Lake City Temple. She died Jan. 7, 1973.

He was a member of the LDS Highland ward and had served a mission in the Southern States. He had been a high priest group leader and had served in a bishopric in Pocatello, Idaho. He had worked in the genealogical library in Ogden.

Mr. Wood retired in 1969 after working for 43 years for the Metropolitan Life Insurance Co. He had served as an assistant manager for 27 years.

He had been president of the Intermountain Chapter of the Metropolitan Insurance Co. Veterans Association.

Surviving are three sons, W. Dean Wood of Ogden; Douglas J. and Richard L. Wood, both of Salt Lake City; nine grandchildren; four great-grandchildren, three half-brothers, Lowell Felt of Palmdale, Calif., Eldon Felt of Blackfoot, Idaho and Jay Felt of Spokane, Wash.; three half-sisters, Beyrle Esplin of Lakewood, Colo., Verle Archibald of Blackfoot, Idaho and Maureen Bills of Idaho Falls, Idaho.

#### Haldow E. Christensen

Haldow Edmond Christensen 77 died Sept. 25, 1978 in Cedar City of a heart attack. Born June 22, 1901 in Fairview, Utah (Sanpete) County to Peter Haldow and Terrisa Terry Christensen. Married Helga Pearl Hansen May 18, 1925 in Parowan, Utah. Sealed in the St. George Temple Oct. 11, 1961.

Graduate of the FBI Academy in 1938. Served in the U.S. Army 22 years and was a Veteran of World War I and II. Active member of the LDS Church serving as President of the Sunday School, teacher in Priesthood and Sunday School. Past Exalted Ruler of the Cedar City Elks Lodge 1556, served on the City Council from 1948 to 1952, Sheriff of Iron County from 1936 to 1941 and has been the Civil Defense director for Iron County since 1950.

Has been a member of BPOE, VFW, Sons of Utah Pioneers, Utah Mustang Association, American Legion, Lions, Iron Rangers and Utah Alcohol Association.

He is survived by his wife of Cedar City, sons and daughters; Temma Holstein of Oceanside, Calif., Mrs. Clay (Tess) Murphy of Thousand Oaks, Calif., Phillip of Las Vegas, Nevada and Galen of Saratoga, Wyoming. Also surviving are 17 grand-children, 33 great grandchildren, 2 brothers and four sisters: Cliff of Baldwin Park, Calif., Dean, Vi Martin, and Eleen Poulson all of Magna, Utah, Jessie McLelland and Ann Larkin both of Salt Lake City.

Interment was in the Cedar City

Cemetery.

#### **Gustive O. Larson**

Gustive O. Larson, 81, Provo, died Oct. 22, 1978, in Provo.

Born Aug. 18, 1897, Holladay, Utah, to Lars A. and Johanna Olson Larson. Married Virginia Bean Feb. 12, 1926, Salt Lake Temple. Received bachelor's and master's and degrees in history and political science from University of Utah. Postgraduate study at Columbia University, N. Y. U., U of C. and UCLA. Honorary doctor of letters, Southern Utah State College, merit honor award U of U., taught history at Weber College, served as seminary principal, Richfield and Cedar City. Served as institute director, Cedar City; associate professor of history and religion at BYU; Emeritus Associate professor of history and religion at BYU; life member Utah Academy of Arts and Letters. Fellow, Utah Historical Society and also life member.

Served as president of the Brigham Young chapter SUP, also national historian of the SUP for three terms. President, Utah Valley Chapter of the Utah State

Historical Society.

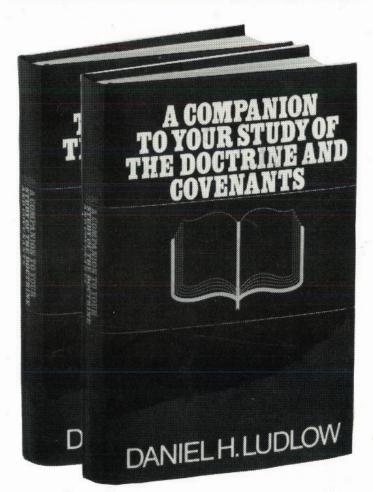
Survivors, widow, Provo; 1 son and 2 daughters, Dr. G. Olof Larson, Big Rapids, Mich.; Mrs. C. E. (Patricia Ann) Nelson, Milford, Utah; Mrs. George R. (Tania Virginia) Cannon Jr., Lompoc, Calif.; 9 grandchildren.

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